



PATENTS
112056-0004



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re The Application of:)
Samuel M. Cramer et al.)
Serial No.: 09/933,866)
Filed: August 20, 2001) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
For: OPERATOR INITIATED GRACEFUL)
TAKEOVER IN A NODE CLUSTER) Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
)

Cesari and McKenna, LLP
88 Black Falcon Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
January 18, 2002

"Express Mail" Mailing-Label Number: EL 705609645 US

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

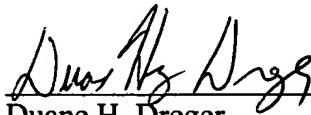
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Please extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated
September 21, 2001 by two months to January 21, 2002.

A check for \$ 400.00, comprising the fee of \$ 400.00 specified by
37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) for other than a small entity, is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fee occasioned by this Petition to our Deposit Account No. 03-1237.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Duane H. Dreger", is written over a horizontal line.

Duane H. Dreger
Reg. No. 48,836
CESARI AND MCKENNA, LLP
88 Black Falcon Avenue
Boston, MA 02210-2414
(617) 951-2500